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メルティは魔法が使えない!? ノーマルランクに昇級したメルティだが、魔法が使えない事に思い悩む毎日。課外授業もうまくいかず、得意の剣の腕も衰えてしまう。そんな中、自分を取り戻すため 難関クエストに挑む事に !?

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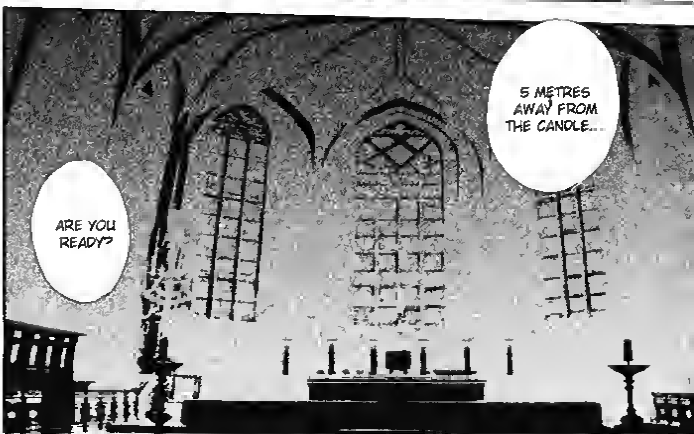
FIRST, WE'LL MARK THE ATTENDANCE.
THEN PROCEED TO THE ALTAR AND STATE YOUR NAME AND MOTIVE FOR COMING TO THE ACADEMY.

YOU MAY USE SPECIAL TECHNIQUES OR MAGIC...
OR ANY OTHER METHODS
BUT THERE'S ONE CONDITION.
BEFORE PROCEEDING, YOU HAVE TO PUT OUT THIS CANDLE!


5 METRES AWAY FROM THE CANDLE...
ARE YOU READY?

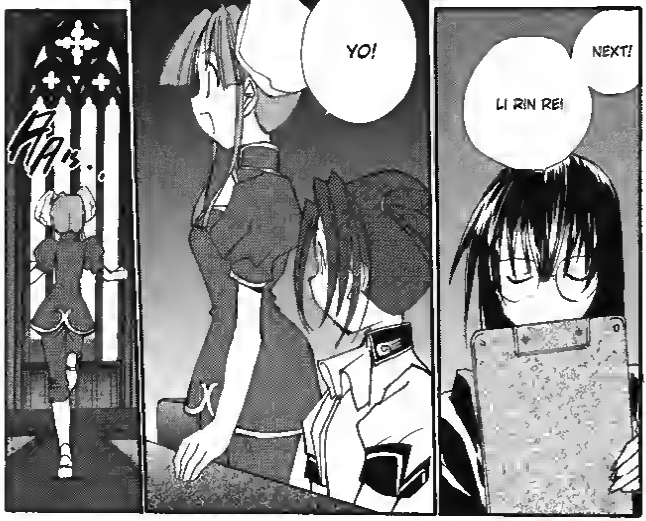
THAT'S TOO EASY~~!!
A SUDDEN TRIAL ?
IS THIS WHAT IS CONSIDERED TO BE...
HERE!
EH?
IOBA YASHIMA!!
SO. I'LL START THE ROLL CALL

……
スタスタ

MY NAME IS AOBA YASHIMA
PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUIDANCE, EVERYBODY

Shin
PREVIOUSLY, THERE WAS A QUESTOR, WHO PROTECTED US AND RID US OF THE THREATS WITH MYSTERIOUS MONSTERS,
MY HOMETOWN IS LOCATED IN FARAWAY LAND OF SHINNOKUNI, TO THE FAR EAST OF THIS AURORIA MAINLAND.
IS BECAUSE I WANT TO GET CLOSER TO THAT QUESTOR.
SO MY REASON FOR COMING TO THIS ACADEMY...
READY!!

I'VE PERFORMED BADLY
THAT WAS MY SHIKIGAMI... PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUIDANCE FROM NOW ON.
AOBA IS SO FANTASTIC


NEXT!
LI RIN REI
YO!

MY NAME IS RIN REI, PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUIDANCE!
I'VE HEARD THAT THERE'RE A LOT OF STRONG CONTENDERS IN THIS QUESTOR ACADEMY, THAT'S WHY I'M HERE
I LOVE TO WORK OUT, COMBAT EXCITES ME!

SO, LET'S GO~~!!

AIYA!!

おお――っ!
HEHEHE... SORRY~~!
I DIDN'T ASK YOU TO DESTROY IT... SIGH~~ NEVER MIND

HERE I COME!!
NEXT!! HANADA UME!!
ALSO KNOWN AS MINASE YUKI!!
THE PEN IS AT ONE WITH THE HEART!!
WATER DRAGON...!! AH LA LA...
SECRET WEAPON!!, G-PEN MAGIC!!

TRANS-
FORM!!
THE RUSH
SCRIPT
UNIFORM
FROM
HELL!
N... NO, I CAN'T
DRAW DRESSED
LIKE THIS...
I'LL JUST
HAVE
TO...

WATER
DRAGON!!
SECRET
WEAPON!!
G-PEN
MAGIC!!

HAU

SHE'S A GIANT CAT-ERPILLAR DE-WORMER!!
OH! COOL!
HEHEHE...!!

THEY'RE ALL FAMILIAR MAGIC...
HM... THEY'RE ALL ABOUT THE SAME
IT'S EXACTLY THE SAME
IT'S NOT A GIANT CAT-ERPILLAR!!

MY NAME IS ERICK ZURICH, PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUIDANCE
I CAN HARDLY WAIT!
THEN LET'S HAVE YOU TRY IT NEXT SHALL WE?
OH?
SOME PEOPLE THINK THAT A QUESTOR'S ABILITIES LIE ONLY IN MAGIC AND THE SWORD.
Lo
Lo
Lo

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS COVER THE FLAME WITH A CONTAINER, LIKE THIS...
THE BURNING FLAME WILL USE UP ALL THE OXYGEN, FILLING UP THE CONTAINER WITH CARBON DIOXIDE AND MOISTURE...
FLAME EXTINGUISHED!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO DO SOMETHING FANTASTIC. IT'S PRETTY ORDINARY.
PLEASE DON'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO THAT!!
I WON'T BE LIKE THE OTHER QUESTORS RELYING ON SWORD AND MAGIC TO GO ON THEIR QUEST!!
MY WEAPON IS KNOWLEDGE!!

BUT YOUR METHOD THIS TIME IS JUST COMMON KNOWLEDGE
PLEASE DON'T KEEP PICKING ON MY WORDS!!
WELL, NEXT IS...
MELTY BAGEL!!
PRESENT!!

HI EVERY-BODY, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE MET, I'M MELTY BAGEL!!
BESIDE ME IS NYAMU, SHE SEEKS YOUR GUIDANCE TOO!!
MYU!!
!?
BAGEL... COULD SHE BE THAT BAGEL?
MY DREAM IS TO BE A FIRST-RATE QUESTOR!
チャキ

IT'S SAID THAT THE WIND VELOCITY FROM HIS SWORD CAN CUT OPEN THE EARTH ..!
AND HER BROTHER, CUSTARD BAGEL WHO AT 8 YEARS OF AGE, WAS ALREADY A VERY ACTIVE GENIUS PROFESSIONAL QUESTOR!
RIGHT, HER FATHER IS VEGETABLE BAGEL, THE LEGENDARY QUESTOR WHO PIONEERED METALLICA...
THAT?
UPON HEARING THIS I SEEM TO HAVE HEARD SOMETHING SIMILAR TO THIS BEFORE...
EHH...?! SO, MELTY HAS SUCH AN ASTONISHING FAMILY BACKGROUND!

EH?
HE-YA!
I HAVE NEVER SEEN IT EITHER...
WELL... I HAVE NEVER SEEN IT BEFORE.
THAT MEANS WHAT KIND OF MAGIC WILL SHE USE?! SHE...

YA!!
HAH!
TA!
IT CAN'T BE...
D... DON'T TELL ME MELTY
.....
SHE DOESN'T KNOW ANY MAGIC...?

Quest 27
Enter the Problem Student

H——A!

L——A
.....
M... MELTY
CAN'T BE THAT MELTY...

HA!
HA HA HA HA!
WHAT A LET DOWN! I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO DO SOME BIG THING...
AND CAN IT BE THAT YOU CAN'T DO MAGIC AT ALL?
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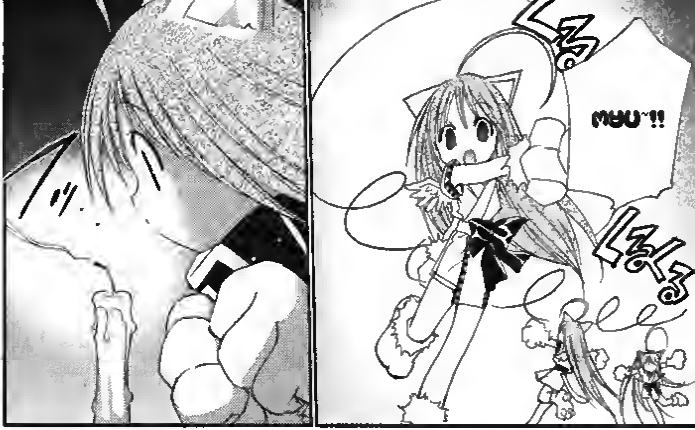
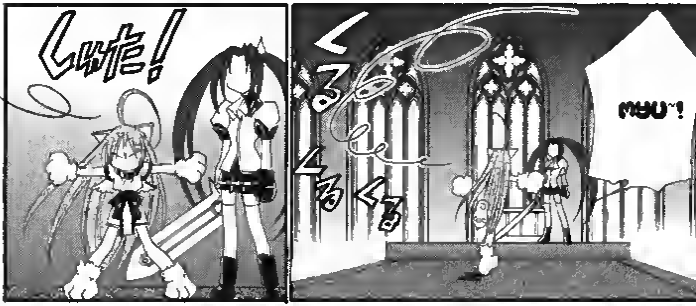
myu~~?
!!
Ah, hey, Nyami?!
Ahh...!


MYU~!!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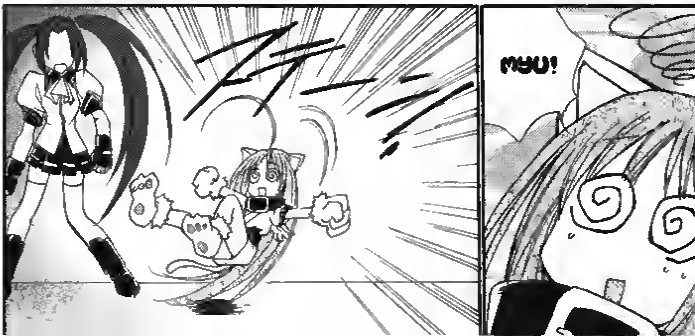
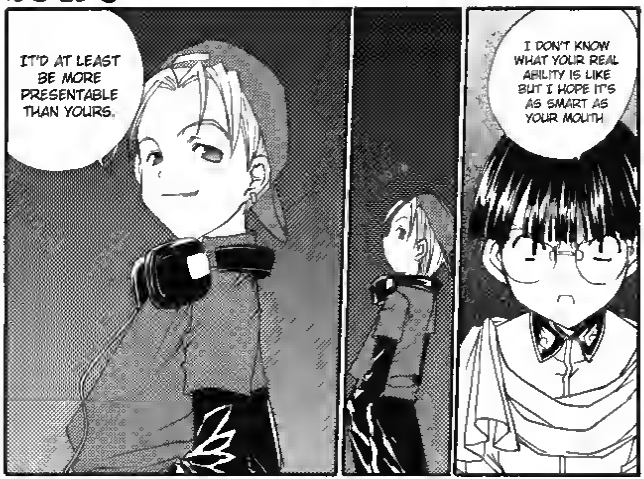

MYU!

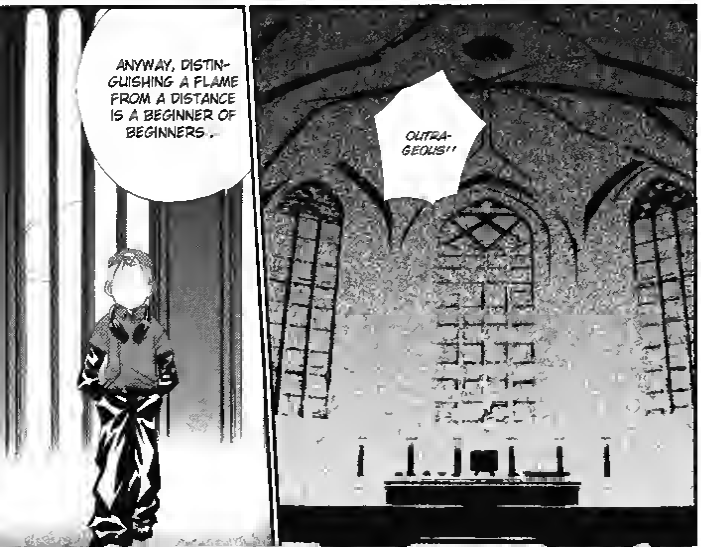
WAS NYAMU TRYING TO IMITATE AOBA'S SHIKI-GAMI...?
NYAMU...
AND MELTY IS SO CLUE-LESSLY CUTE TOO...!
MSU
NYAMU IS SO CUTE!
THAT'S RIGHT!!
PLEASE CONTINUE TO GIVE US YOUR GUIDANCE
TH... THANK YOU...

SINCE SHE HAS SUCH AN ASTONISHING BACKGROUND,
SHE MUST HAVE SOME HIDDEN TALENTS!
MAYBE IT'S NOT CONVENIENT FOR MELTY TO REVEAL HER ULTIMATE WEAPON HERE IN THIS KINDA PLACE.
パチ
パチ
パチ
Melty is so well bred~~ I'm even more besotted with her now~~!!
That's right!! It must be that way?! Melty!
TEACHER!
WAS THAT JUST LUCK...?

ARE WE HAVING A CLASS? OR RECREATION?
I'M GETTING A HEADACHE
TALKING ABOUT BEING A QUESTOR, SURELY ONLY THOSE WHO QUALIFY HAVE THE RIGHT TO TALK ABOUT IT?
THE FUNNIEST THING IS THAT EVEN SOME USELESS PEOPLE ARE GETTING INTO THIS ACADEMY
UH.
WAS SIMPLY BECAUSE YOU CAN'T USE THE SWORD OR MAGIC, RIGHT?
THAT'S WHY I M HELPING YOU TO CARRY ON WITH THE CLASS, YOUR PERFORMANCE EARLIER
WE CAN T CARRY ON WITH THE CLASS LIKE THIS PLEASE ASK HIM TO GO OUT"!
TEACHER! WHO IS THIS DELINQUENT!!

N... NOTHING.
.....
THAT'S RIGHT. AND HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE MUCH...
HIS CHARAC-TER SUCKS!!
WHAT? THAT GUY!!
I'M HAVING .. A VERY UNEASY FEELING.
MOU...
I HAVE THE SAME IDEA!
WHY DON'T YOU BE THE NEXT ONE TO TRY?

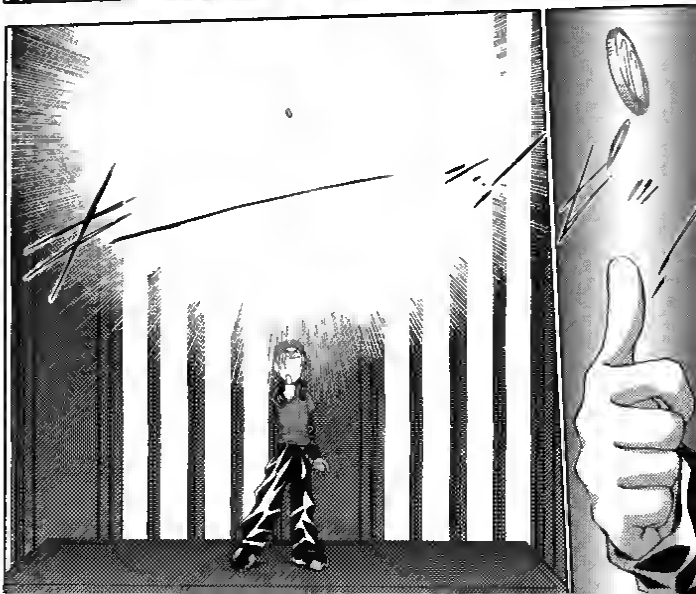

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR REAL ABILITY IS LIKE BUT I HOPE IT'S AS SMART AS YOUR MOUTH
IT'D AT LEAST BE MORE PRESENTABLE THAN YOURS.

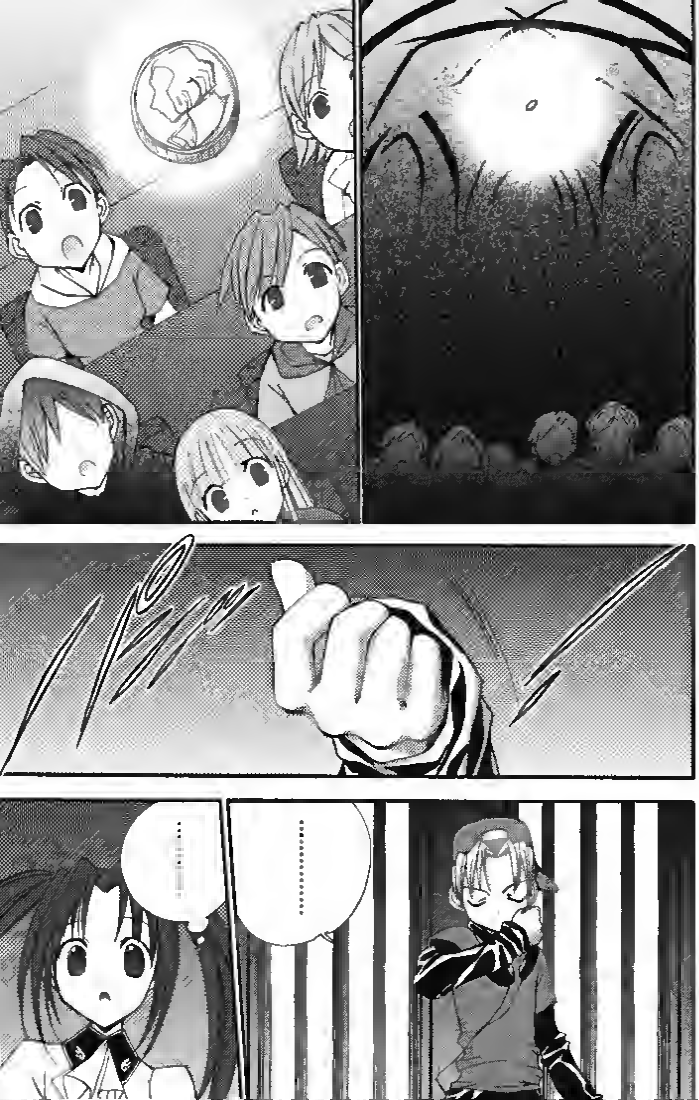

OUTRA-GEOUS!!
ANYWAY, DISTIN-GUISHING A FLAME FROM A DISTANCE IS A BEGINNER OF BEGINNERS.

IN THE SLUMP WHERE I CAME FROM, THIS SMALL MATTER..
IS SOMETHING WE LEARNT BEFORE WE LEARN TO WALK OTHERWISE WE CAN'T SURVIVE IN THERE
WH... WHAT?!

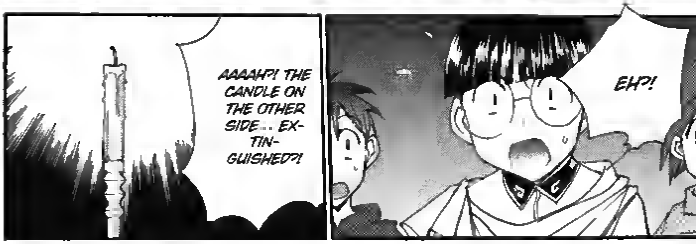
Quest 28
Is This Level of Ability!?

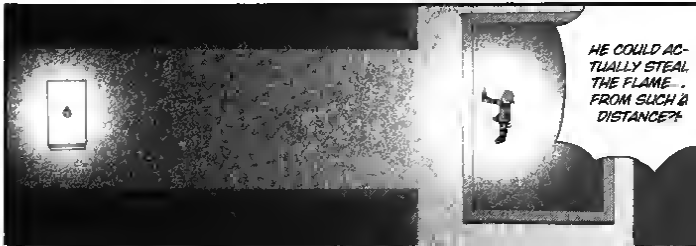
WATCH CLOSELY!!





I'VE STOLEN IT!!


AAAAH?! THE CANDLE ON THE OTHER SIDE... EXTINGUISHED?!
EH?!


HE COULD ACTUALLY STEAL THE FLAME... FROM SUCH A DISTANCE?!

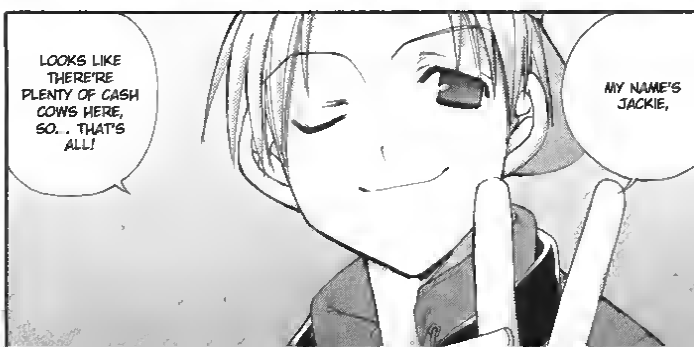
How can that be.
There's absolutely no information on such a form of magic.
RHIN CHARIN IN 1800 DID USED SIMILAR FORM OF COIN MAGIC. .
THERE'S ALYSSA MELISSA WHO COULD EXCHANGE THINGS FROM A DISTANCE...
HUH!
PEOPLE WHO ONLY DEPEND ON KNOWLEDGE ARE LIKE THAT
SOMETHING HAPPENS OUTSIDE OF THEIR CALCULATIONS; THEY IMMEDIATELY CATEGORIZE IT INTO SOME KNOWN BOUNDARY,
SEEMS LIKE THIS CASE, LOOKS LIKE THAT ONE.
WHY DON'T YOU COME CLEAN AND CONFESS YOU DON'T KNOW!!
.....
.....
WHY DON'T YOU... EXPLAIN WHAT THAT WAS ALL ABOUT?!

IT'S SLIGHT OF HAND.
SLIGHT OF HAND!!
DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT EARLIER?
AAAH?! THAT COIN!! SO YOU DID NOT USE MAGIC AT ALL?!
THIS WORLD IS LIKE THIS, DON'T GET CAUGHT AND YOU'RE FINE!!
BUT YOU COULDN'T SEE THE TRICK, COULD YOU? NEITHER COULD YOU PROVE IT, COULD YOU?

LOOKS LIKE NOBODY DISCOVERED,
.....
BECAUSE OF HIS SPECIAL ABILITY..
WHEN EVERYBODY'S ATTENTION WAS FIXED ON THAT COIN IN THE AIR,
HE RAN WITH ASTONISHING SPEED TO EXTINGUISH THE CANDLE AND RAN BACK...
THE LEVEL OF HIS SPEED HAS ALREADY REACHED MAXIMUM STATE.
WHAT'S MORE... WHAT HE DISPLAYED TO EVERYONE WAS LEVEL 1 FLAMING MAGIC...
AND NOT REALLY STEALING THE FLAME FROM OVER THERE...
BUT HE BROKE THE RULE... HE GOT NEAR THE CANDLE.
THE OTHER DISPLAY WAS TO COVER UP THIS..

BUT HIS PERSONALITY... MIGHT TURN OUT TO BE HIS BIGGEST PROBLEM?
ううーんだ!
AS LONG AS HE DOESN'T SWINDLE ANYONE, HE MIGHT JUST BE CUT OUT TO BE A QUESTOR...
BUT BECAUSE OF HIS AMAZING SPORTING ABILITY AND APTITUDE FOR MAGIC,

BUT...
ALTHOUGH THIS KINDA THING IS PRETTY STANDARD...
AH!
YOU HAVEN'T INTRODUCED YOURSELF YET


LOOKS LIKE THERE'RE PLENTY OF CASH COWS HERE, SO. . THAT'S ALL!
MY NAME'S JACKIE,

AH, FORGET THAT, THERE'S THIS THING CALLED A NICK-NAME...
YOUR NAME AND THE ONE ON YOUR DOCUMENT ISN'T QUITE THE SAME...
PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUID-ANCE~!
YO!!
OOEYAMA KAORO!
NEXT IS..
おおもり!

CAN'T TELL THAT HE'S A STUDENT AT ALL.
SO. SO LARGE!!
WHO. WHO'S THIS GUY..?
IT'LL BE DANGEROUS SO EVERYBODY BE CAREFUL
I'M GOING TO GET STARTED
!!
IT'S GOING TO BE SOME HOCUS POCUS ANYWAY..
!?
WHAT DANGER?

HUHH
HHHH
HHH!!
HAH!!

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AAAH
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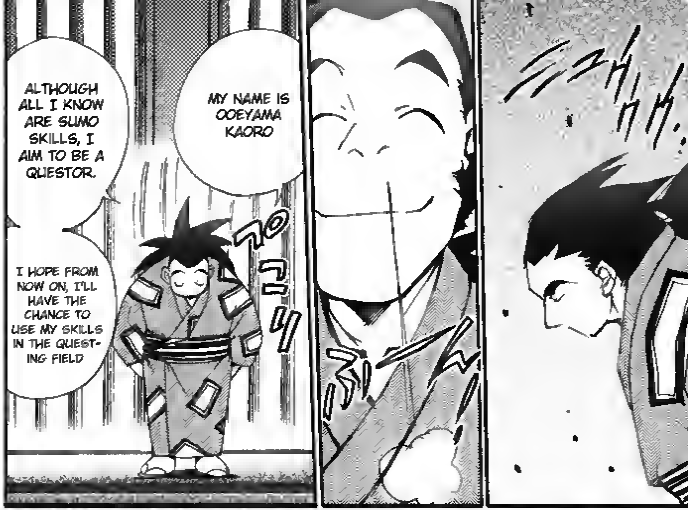
.....
YAAAA AAH...
HE MADE A BIG HOLE IN THE FLOOR. !!


ALTHOUGH ALL I KNOW ARE SUMO SKILLS, I AIM TO BE A QUESTOR.
MY NAME IS OOEYAMA KAORO
I HOPE FROM NOW ON, I'LL HAVE THE CHANCE TO USE MY SKILLS IN THE QUEST-ING FIELD
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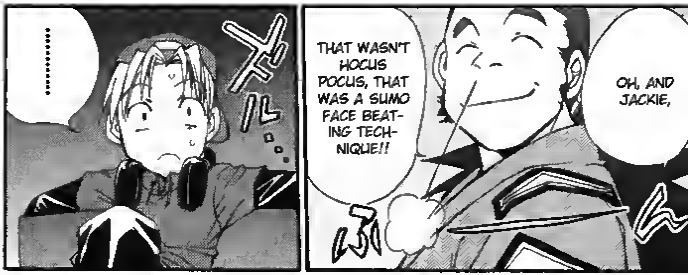
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THAT WASN'T HOCUS POCUS, THAT WAS A SUMO FACE BEAT-ING TECH-NIQUE!!
OH, AND JACKIE,

THERE'RE ALL SORTS HERE..
HM... SOME PRETTY BRAWNY GUYS AROUND.

NEXT,
ROSALIE ROSARIO.
……
カラ…
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コツ…

MY NAME IS ROSALIE ROSARIO.
THE REASON I'M HERE IS...
.....
YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER THAT IF YOU DON'T WANT TO
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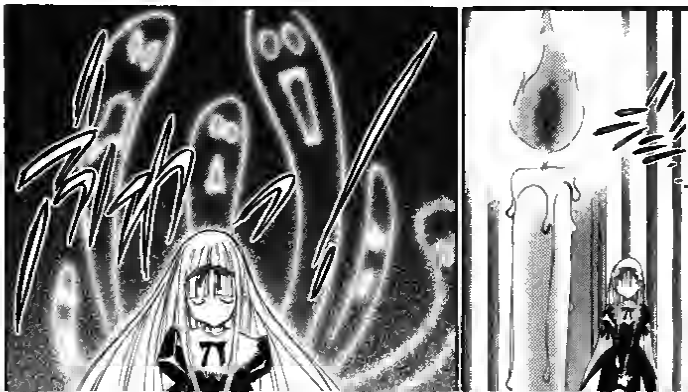

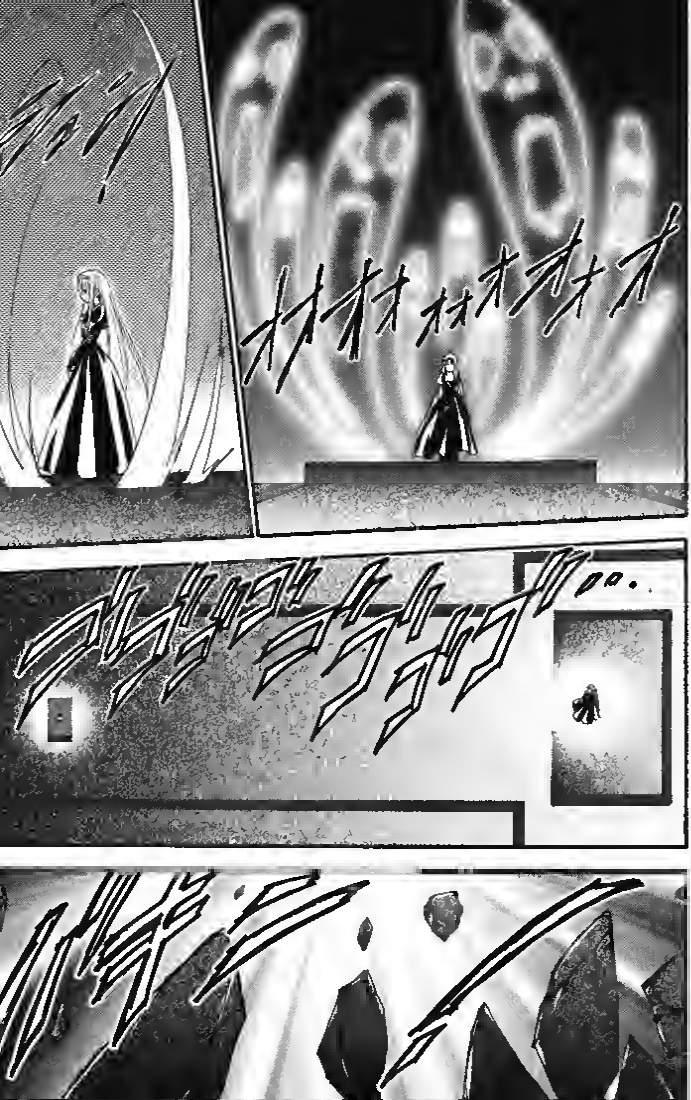
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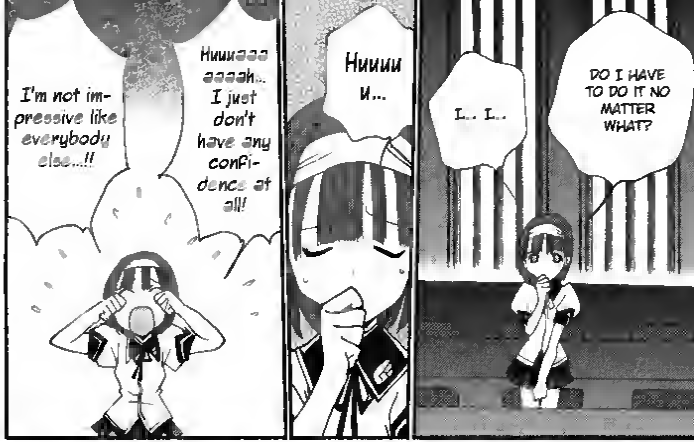
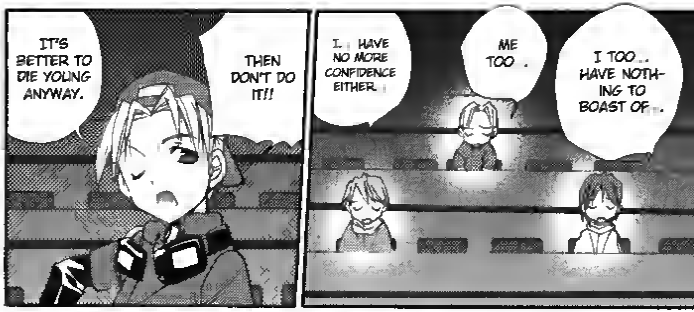
YAAAA AAH!!
...IT'S EXTINGUISHED...

THIS PERSON IS POWERFUL IN A CERTAIN WAY TOO...
A BIG GROUP OF THEM TOO..
NO!! CAN'T SAY IT!!
WHA.. WHAT WERE ALL THOSE..!!
.....
PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUIDANCE..
TEACHER..
WHAT'S THE MATTER? NOT HERE?
MARLO FLUER-MAGE.
NEXT IS...


I'm not impressive like everybody else...!!
Huuuaaaaaaah... I just don't have any confidence at all!
Huuuuu u...
I... I...
DO I HAVE TO DO IT NO MATTER WHAT?


IT'S BETTER TO DIE YOUNG ANYWAY.
THEN DON'T DO IT!!
I HAVE NO MORE CONFIDENCE EITHER.
ME TOO.
I TOO.. HAVE NOTHING TO BOAST OF..

I HAVE TO APOLOGIZE TO YOU ALL FOR SOMETHING...
WAIT!!

Quest 29
A TEAM OUT OF SYNC?! (PART 1)

THERE'S JUST SOMETHING THAT I NEED TO APOLOGISE FOR..
I..
YOU WANT TO SAY THAT PULLING A FAST ONE BY HAVING NYAMU EXTINGUISH THE FLAME IS NOT YOUR REAL ABILITY?
THAT WAS EASY TO SPOT!
OH!!

BUT.. BUT..!
I FAILED THIS TEST..

NOBODY SAID THIS WAS A TEST.
EH?!
I JUST TOLD EVERYONE TO INTRODUCE THEMSELVES
THE MATTER OF THE CANDLE JUST ALLOWS ME TO DISCERN YOUR INITIAL ABILITY..

AS LONG AS YOU HAVE SOMETHING THAT CAN BECOME YOUR PERSONAL WEAPON, EVEN IF IT'S ONLY ONE.
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU EXCEL AT ANYTHING OR NOT...
I'M BACK.

TH..T...
WHAT WAS YOUR NEW CLASS LIKE?
YOU'RE BACK ~~~~~
YOU'RE BACK, MELTY!

LET'S ALL GIVE IT OUR BEST!
I'M ALICE KANZAKI!
OUR FORM TEACHER... IS THAT—

AND WE HAVE TO USE OUR OWN METHODS TO EMPTY A GLASS OF ITS WATER FROM A DISTANCE
TODAY, THERE'S JUST A SELF-INTRODUCTION...
HOW OLD IS SHE ANYWAY?!
I KNEW IT EARLIER I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE SHE'S REALLY A TEACHER
...
I USED FLAMING MAGIC TO CAUSE THE ENTIRE CLASSROOM TO... LIKE THAT!!
I GOT TAKO-SAN TO SPLASH THE PLACE UP AND .
IT'S VERY SIMILAR TO OUR CLASS SUBJECT
I CAN IMAGINE
I

AOBA, RIN REI AND MINASE... DID THEIR USUAL THING.
UM, UM.
AND MELTY?
OUR CLASS HAS TO EXTINGUISH A CANDLE.
WHAT ABOUT MELTY'S CLASS?
UM, UM!!
I...
BUT IT SEEMS LIKE I COULD USE IT WHEN I WAS LITTLE...
ACTUALLY, I DON'T KNOW ANY MAGIC..

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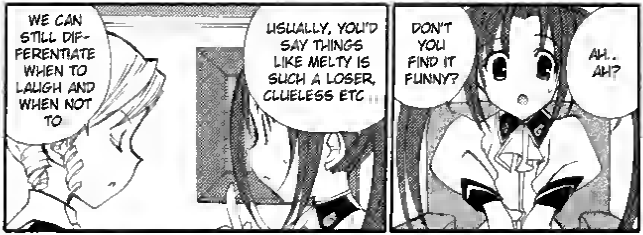
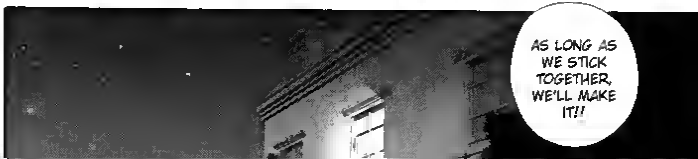
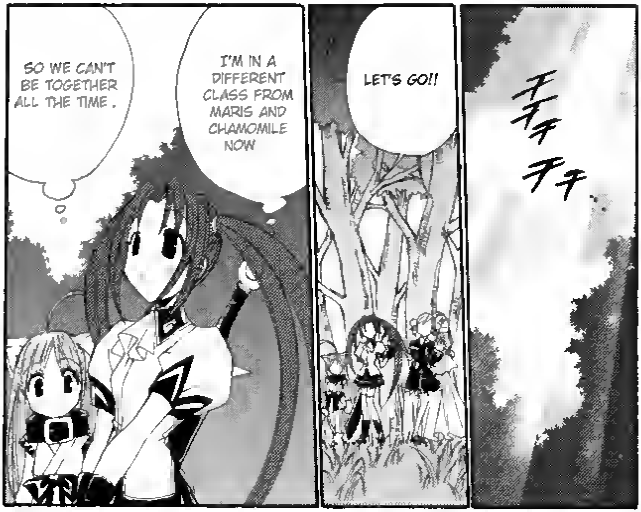

AH.. AH?
DON'T YOU FIND IT FUNNY?
USUALLY, YOU'D SAY THINGS LIKE MELTY IS SUCH A LOSER, CLUELESS ETC..
WE CAN STILL DIFFERENTIATE WHEN TO LAUGH AND WHEN NOT TO

MORE IMPORTANTLY, IS IT TRUE THAT YOU COULD USE MAGIC WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE?
UM... BUT I CAN'T QUITE REMEMBER WHEN I STOPPED USING IT...
SOMETHING... MUST HAVE HAPPENED...
TO CAUSE YOU TO FORGET...

AND JUST LEAVE IT TO ME TO RESTORE YOUR MAGICAL ABILITY!
BUT IT'S ALL RIGHT, YOU CAN DEPEND ON ME FOR MAGICAL THINGS!

IN THAT CASE, I WILL PRACTICE HARD ON MY SWORD FIGHTING!!


AS LONG AS WE STICK TOGETHER, WE'LL MAKE IT!!


SO WE CAN'T BE TOGETHER ALL THE TIME.
I'M IN A DIFFERENT CLASS FROM MARIS AND CHAMOMILE NOW
LET'S GO!!
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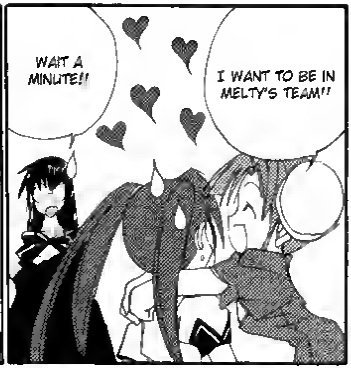
IF YOU HAPPEN TO FIND SOME HERBS IN THE QUESTING TERRITORIES, IT'S BEST TO GATHER THEM IMMEDIATELY AND KEEP THEM
TODAY, I'M GOING TO TEACH YOU HOW TO DIFFERENTIATE SOME BASIC HERBS AND THE METHOD FOR GATHERING THEM

COME TO THINK OF IT, MARIS' AND CHAMOMILE'S LEVEL OF ABILITY SHOULD BE QUITE HIGH
ALTHOUGH I'VE NEVER THOUGHT OF SUCH MATTERS BEFORE
.....
FIRST, EXPLAIN THE PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DEFINING HERBS
BUT TO TRAIN TO A LEVEL OF SWORD FIGHTING THAT'S EQUAL TO THEIR ABILITY
MELTY BAGLE!
MELTY DO YOU BAGLE! HEAR ME?
AH... YES!!
WHAT DOES THE SHAPE OF THE DUXON RESTORATION HERB LOOK LIKE?
UH... THREE...
A THREE-LEAFED PLANT!!
OH DEAR...
A FOUR-LEAFED PLANT!
AH... YES...
IF YOU DON'T PAY ATTENTION, YOU'LL END UP EATING POISON GRASS!!

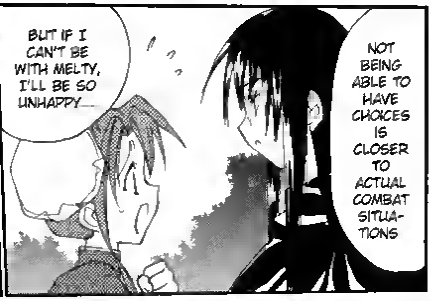
EH... !!
SO, YOU MAY START COLLECTING HERBS IN THE AFTERNOON.

THE AREA OUTSIDE THE ACADEMY GROUNDS IS HUGE...
THIS IS A MAP OF THE AREA.
IS EVERYBODY HERE? THEN WE CAN START THE EXERCISE
TEACHER, I HAVE AN IDEA!!
YOU WILL SET OUT IN TEAMS OF THREE

EH...?! CAN'T WE DISCUSS THIS?
I WILL ALLOCATE THE TEAMS, I WILL READ OUT THE NAMES NOW!


WAIT A MINUTE!!
I WANT TO BE IN MELTY'S TEAM!!

THE FIRST TEAM WILL BE...


BUT IF I CAN'T BE WITH MELTY, I'LL BE SO UNHAPPY...
NOT BEING ABLE TO HAVE CHOICES IS CLOSER TO ACTUAL COMBAT SITUATIONS

AH!!
AND MELTY BAGLE!!

JACKIE,

ROSALIE ROSARIO!!

HI, PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUIDANCE.
THE NEXT TEAM IS...
I'M SEPARATED FROM THE OTHERS AGAIN...
...AND THAT'S ALL THE TEAMS
HE'S A TOUGH ONE
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JUST DON'T DRAG US DOWN!!
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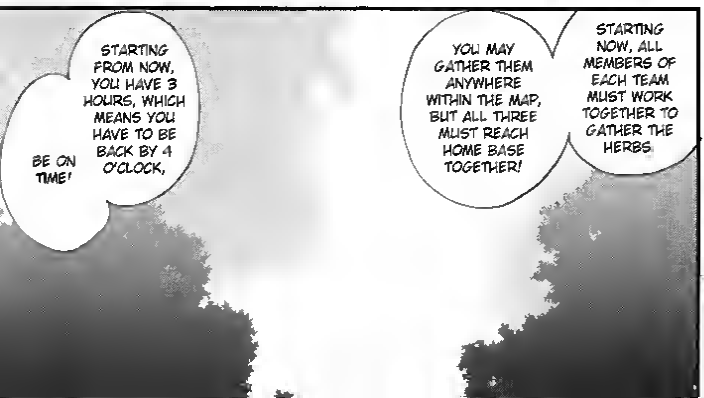
STARTING FROM NOW, YOU HAVE 3 HOURS, WHICH MEANS YOU HAVE TO BE BACK BY 4 O'CLOCK,
BE ON TIME!
YOU MAY GATHER THEM ANYWHERE WITHIN THE MAP, BUT ALL THREE MUST REACH HOME BASE TOGETHER!
STARTING NOW, ALL MEMBERS OF EACH TEAM MUST WORK TOGETHER TO GATHER THE HERBS.

WHAT?!
BUT ON THE CONTRARY, THE TEAMS THAT DO NOT GATHER A SINGLE HERB WILL BE PENALISED!
THE TOP 3 TEAMS WILL GET 5,3,2 TIMES THE GROUP POINTS RESPECTIVELY!
TEAMS THAT GATHER ANY HERBS WILL BE AWARDED EXTRA POINTS
MYU~~~
I FEEL DEJECTED WITHOUT MELTY...
BUT THE AMOUNT OF HERBS ARE LIMITED, THE QUICK ONES WILL WIN.
SHOULD WIN EASILY AS LONG AS WE STAY OUR USUAL SELVES
YOU MAY BEGIN!!

WHOA!!
WHOA —!!
EVERYBODY'S... LEFT?
.....
HURRY —!!
IF THEY THINK RUNNING FAST HELPS...!!
HM...

OVER HERE!!
ACCORDING TO THE MAP, EVERYONE WAS RUSHING TOWARDS THE HILLS.
GROWS BESIDE THE RIVER?
ACCORDING TO OUR LESSON, THE HIGH RESTORATION POWER DUXON RESTORATION HERB...
WHAT'S WRONG?
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU THINK I'M LIKE YOU?!
NOTHING... JUST DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE THIS SERIOUS IN CLASS.

.....
ARE YOU OK?
JUST A LITTLE... ANEMIC...
I'M... I'M SORRY.
CAN WE WALK A LITTLE SLOWER.
CAN YOU WALK TO THE TREE OVER THERE?
WAIT!
吉吉
I'M GOING TO LEAVE YOU BEHIND!!
WHAT ARE YOU DRAGGING YOUR FEET FOR!!

AFTER WE GET THE HERBS, WE'LL COME BACK FOR YOU.
DON'T BE AFRAID! IT'LL BE OK AS LONG AS THE 3 OF US GET BACK TOGETHER.
B... BUT...
YOU CAN TAKE A REST HERE
YOU HAVE NO SYMPATHY AT ALL!
BECAUSE SHE'S NOT WELL, IT CAN'T BE HELPED
...WHAT'S GOING ON, LAZING BY HERSELF!
I'LL BE GOING THEN!
SORRY...
SOUNDS LIKE WATER?
UM...?
ON THE OTHER HAND, IF WE GET FIRST PLACE, ALL 3 OF US WILL GET 5 POINTS!!
IT'S NOT WORTH IT!
THAT SOUNDS NOBLE BUT WE HAVE TO BEAR ALL THE RESPONSI-BILITY

ACCORDING TO THE MAP, WE SHOULD BE AROUND HERE.
IT'S THE RIVER!!
THESE ARE ALL...?!
THEN..
IT'S THE FLOWER OF THE DIXON RESTORATION HERB!!
LOOK!
!!
UM!!
I'LL LEAVE DOWN RIVER TO YOU!
I'LL SEARCH UPRIVER.

IT'S A FOUR-LEAF PLANT...
I RE-MEMBER...
THAT'S WHAT I SAID!!
IT'LL BE STRANGE IF WE CAN FIND SUCH A RARE THING!!
THE DUXON RESTORATION HERB REFERS TO THE MUTATED FOUR-LEAF PLANT.
AH! GET ON WITH IT!
PERHAPS WE CAN WIN TOP MARKS
BUT THEN AGAIN, IF IT'S HER, PERHAPS SHE CAN FIND IT...

Quest 30
A TEAM OUT OF SYNC?! (PART 2)

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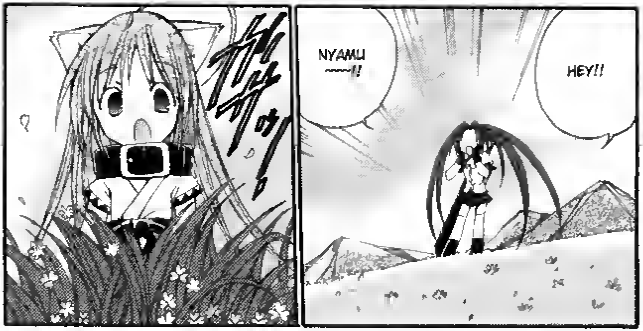
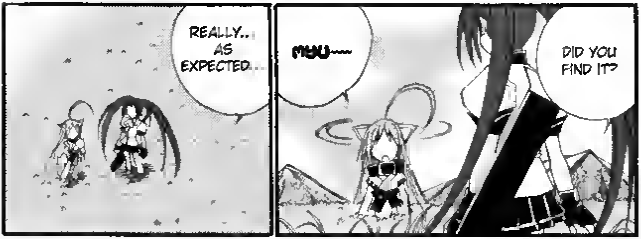

NYAMU ~~~~!!
HEY!!


REALLY... AS EXPECTED...
MKU~~~
DID YOU FIND IT?

ALTHOUGH THERE ARE A LOT OF THEM, THEY'RE ALL 3-LEAFED...
IS THERE REALLY A DUXON HERB...
OR,
THE 4-LEAFED ONE IS AWFULLY RARE?!
IF I'D KNOWN EARLIER, I'D HAVE PAID MORE ATTENTION IN CLASS...
I WONDER IF JACKIE HAS FOUND ANY...
NO MATTER WHAT, WE'LL JUST HAVE TO KEEP ON SEARCHING,
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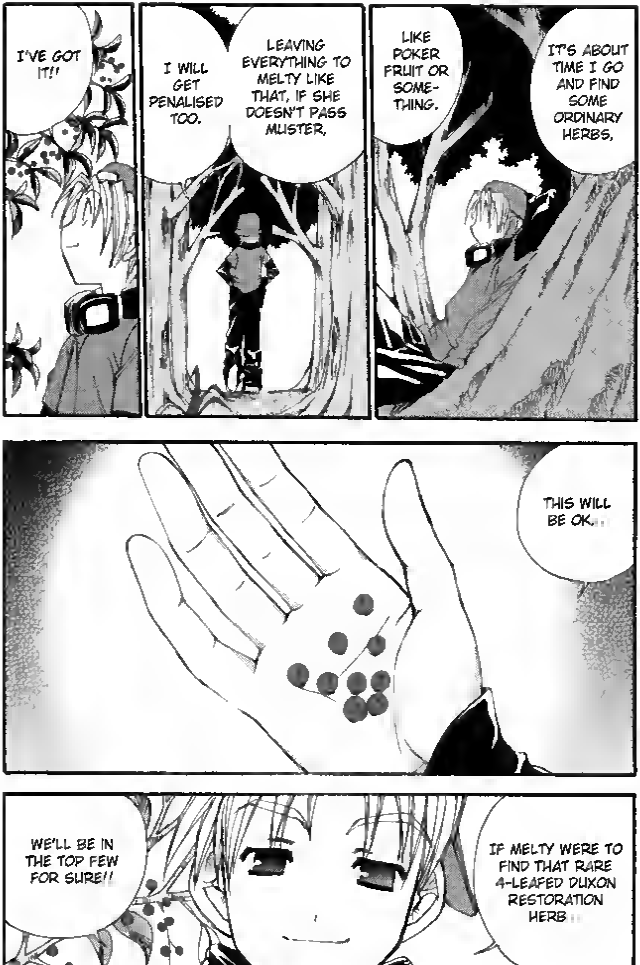
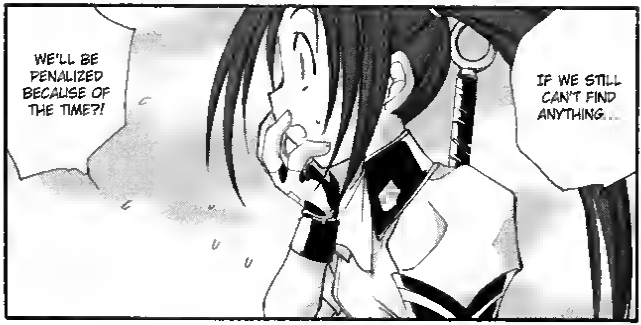
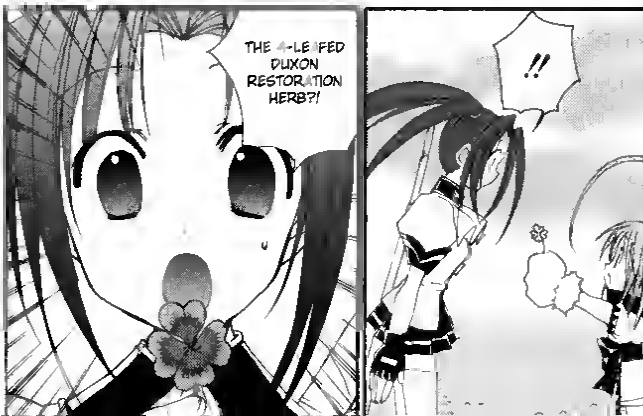
HEH...


IT'S ABOUT TIME I GO AND FIND SOME ORDINARY HERBS.
LIKE POKER FRUIT OR SOME-THING.
LEAVING EVERYTHING TO MELTY LIKE THAT, IF SHE DOESN'T PASS MUSTER,
I WILL GET PENALISED TOO.
I'VE GOT IT!!
THIS WILL BE OK...
IF MELTY WERE TO FIND THAT RARE 4-LEAFED DUXON RESTORATION HERB...
WE'LL BE IN THE TOP FEW FOR SURE!!

I'M REALLY BRILLIANT!!
SHE'LL OWE ME ONE.
BUT IF MELTY DOESN'T FIND IT,
WE HAVE TO FACTOR IN THE RETURN JOURNEY AS WELL...
IT'S ALMOST TIME... WILL WE HAVE A PROBLEM?
PHEW...


WE'LL BE PENALIZED BECAUSE OF THE TIME?!
IF WE STILL CAN'T FIND ANYTHING...

WHAT'S WRONG, NYAMU?
AAAAA...
MYU~~~!!
THAT'LL BE TERRIBLE!!


THE 4-LEAFED DUXON RESTORATION HERB?!
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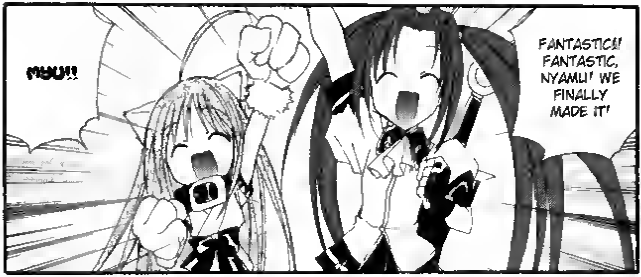
FANTASTIC!! FANTASTIC, NYAMU! WE FINALLY MADE IT!
MYU!!

JACKIE, I FOUND IT, LOOK!
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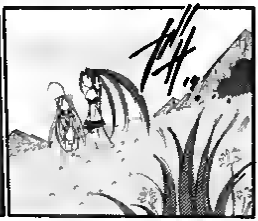

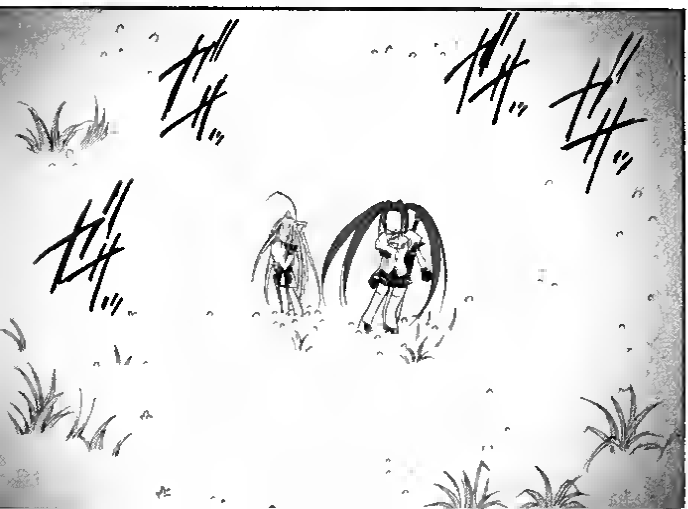

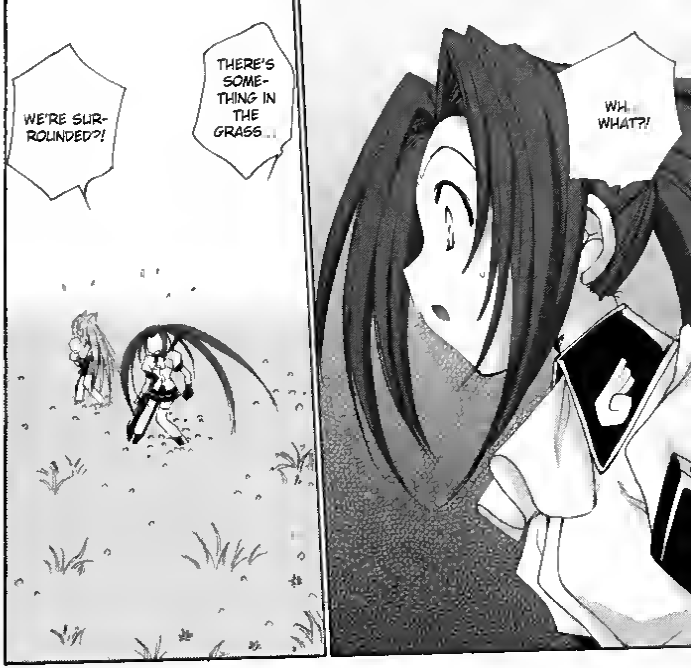
WE'RE SURROUNDED?!
THERE'S SOMETHING IN THE GRASS..
WH.. WHAT?!

....
ANYONE!!
PROFESSOR NATASHA!!
ROSALIE?!
JACKIE! WHERE ARE YOU?!

CAN'T RELY ON OTHERS!!
...NO...
WAAAH!!
TORTOISE MONSTER?!
TOR...

WAAAH!!
UH!
MY LEG... GOT HIT...
MUU!!

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THE HERB BELONGS TO EVERYONE !
YOU WANT ME TO USE THE HERB?! ... NO, I CAN'T DO THAT!
WAAA AAHHH!!

HAVE YOU COME TO?
MELTY BAGLE!!
MELTY...
.....
!!
WHERE AM I...?
THE EXERCISE JUST ENDED!
HOW DO YOU FEEL...?

Quest 31
MELTY ON THE RUN?!

WHERE AM I...?
HAVE YOU COME TO?
IN THE END, IT SEEMS YOUR TEAM DIDN'T FIND ANY HERBS AT ALL
IT'S TOO BAD, BUT...
I'LL HAVE TO CONFISCATE YOUR POINTS!
EH?!
SOR... SORRY
...

BUT DON'T DRAG OTHERS DOWN, OK?!
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU WANT TO PRESUME TO BE A QUESTOR,
THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T WANT TO BE IN THIS GIRL'S TEAM!
RIN.. RIN REI..
AH, MELTY! ARE YOU ALRIGHT?!
MELTY——!!
AND MY WOUND HAS BEEN TAKEN CARE OF, LOOK!
I.. I'M FINE, RIN REI
I'M SO FRUSTRATED, I'M SO USELESS! MELTY, WHY DON'T YOU HIT ME..!!
WHEN MY BELOVED WAS IN DANGER, I COULDN'T BE OF ANY HELP AT ALL...
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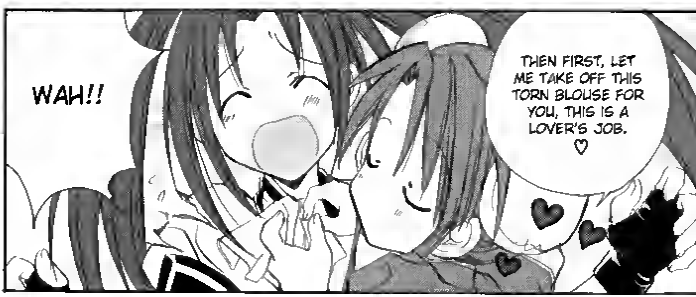
AH...♡


WAH!!
THEN FIRST, LET ME TAKE OFF THIS TORN BLOUSE FOR YOU, THIS IS A LOVER'S JOB. ♡

YES..
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... TODAY'S CLASS WILL END HERE

YES, THAT'S RIGHT...
THEN SHE CAN'T HAVE SUCH AN INTERESTING MEAL, WHICH SUCKS
YOU MEAN TO SAY MELTY HASN'T GOT A PENNY TO HER NAME?
EH....!!
NEXT IS TO WATCH THE BULLETIN BOARD FOR ANY JOBS .
WELL, THE FIRST IS TO GO QUESTING
IS THERE ANY WAY TO MAKE THE MONEY GROW?
THE MONEY I'VE BROUGHT FROM HOME HAS SHRUNK TOO...
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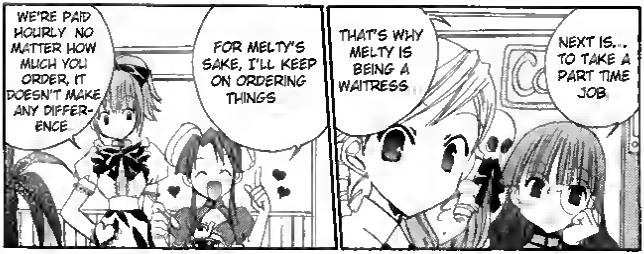
CO.. COMING RIGHT UP...
EXCUSE ME: I WANT TO ADD AN EXTRA LARGE SUNDAE..!
NEXT I'LL HAVE...

OOOH~~! HOW CUTE!! HOW SWEET! HOW INCREDIBLE~!!
SOR, SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING...


WE'RE PAID HOURLY NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU ORDER, IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE
FOR MELTY'S SAKE, I'LL KEEP ON ORDERING THINGS
THAT'S WHY MELTY IS BEING A WAITRESS
NEXT IS... TO TAKE A PART TIME JOB

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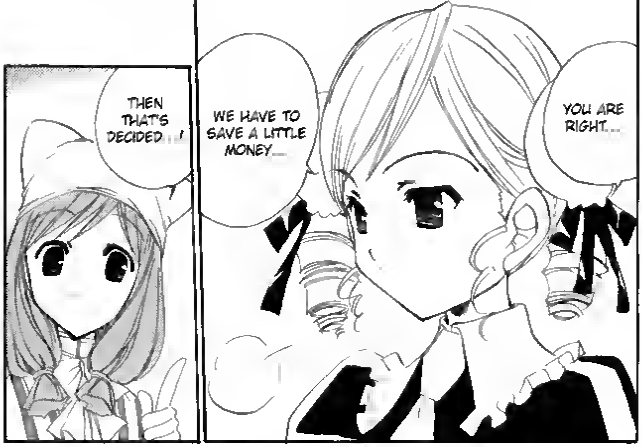
WE CAN MORE OR LESS CONTRIBUTE A LITTLE
MARIS, TOMORROW AFTER CLASS, LET'S GO QUESTING TOGETHER...


YOU ARE RIGHT...
WE HAVE TO SAVE A LITTLE MONEY...
THEN THAT'S DECIDED!!

CHAMOMILE'S GIVING HER ALL
NO... NOTHING LIKE THAT...
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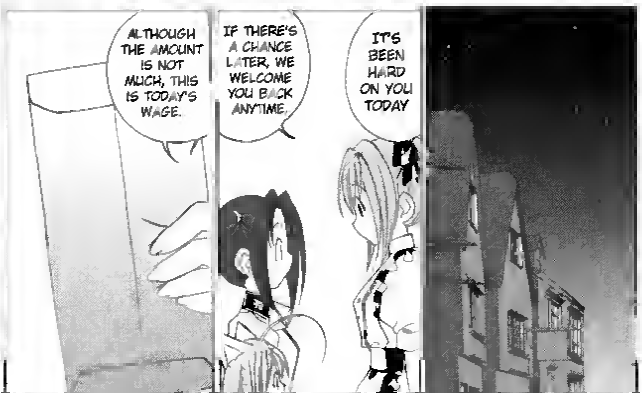
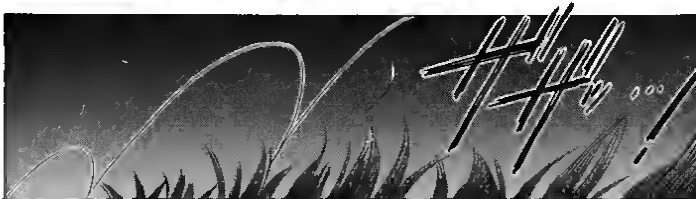

IT'S BEEN HARD ON YOU TODAY
IF THERE'S A CHANCE LATER, WE WELCOME YOU BACK ANYTIME.
ALTHOUGH THE AMOUNT IS NOT MUCH, THIS IS TODAY'S WAGE.

..NO MATTER WHICH DIRECTION I CHOSE,
IT DOESN'T SEEM TO BE EASY

...THEN, NYAMU... SHALL I CONTINUE TO RUSH HEADLONG INTO THE FUTURE,
OR ACCEPT THAT THIS IS AS FAR AS I CAN GO, AND NOT ENTERTAIN ANY MORE WISHFUL THINKINGS...



RINGO.
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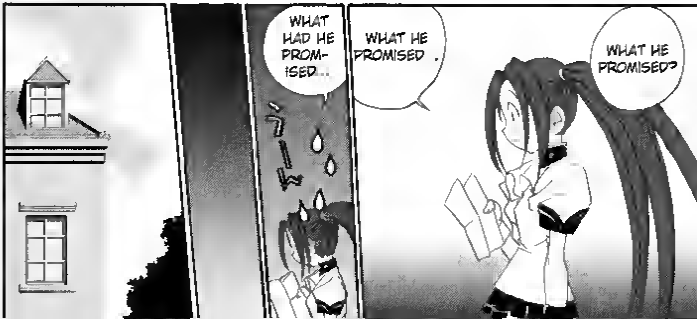
AH!! WAIT...
...?
FOR ME?

RAYNARD ...?!
"DO YOU STILL REMEMBER WHAT I PROMISED YOU?"
...WHAT?

A LETTER FROM RAYNARD TO ME?!


WHAT HAD HE PROM-ISED...
WHAT HE PROMISED .
WHAT HE PROMISED?

PLUTOLIEZE!!
TAKO-SAN, I'M DEPENDING ON YOU~!!
LET'S HURRY UP!
YES~!
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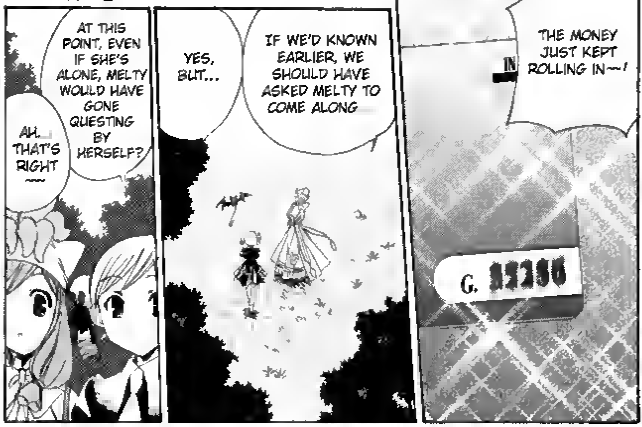
GREAT JOB!!
FANTASTIC ~~~~!


THE MONEY JUST KEPT ROLLING IN~!
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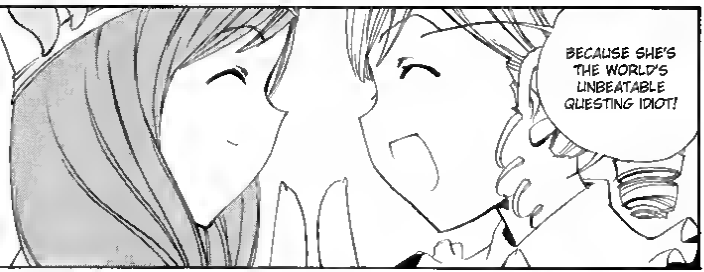
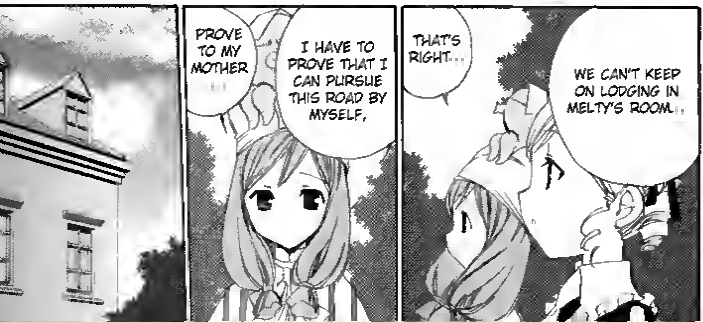
IF WE'D KNOWN EARLIER, WE SHOULD HAVE ASKED MELTY TO COME ALONG
YES, BUT...
AT THIS POINT, EVEN IF SHE'S ALONE, MELTY WOULD HAVE GONE QUESTING BY HERSELF?
AH... THAT'S RIGHT ~~~


BECAUSE SHE'S THE WORLD'S UNBEATABLE QUESTING IDIOT!


WE CAN'T KEEP ON LODGING IN MELTY'S ROOM...
THAT'S RIGHT...
I HAVE TO PROVE THAT I CAN PURSUE THIS ROAD BY MYSELF.
PROVE TO MY MOTHER

SO WHAT MAKES YOU SO SURE YOU CAN'T DO MAGIC?
EH?!
YOU COULDN'T DO MAGIC FROM BIRTH?
...NO...
THEN WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW THE REASON?
THE PAST THAT LAYS DORMANT IN YOUR DEEPEST MEMORY...
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DEPART ON YOUR QUEST FROM GATE 17.
THIS QUEST REQUIRES 2 MEMBERS..
CHOOSE AN ABLE PARTNER BEFORE YOU GO.
LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY ALREADY AGREED TO GO WITH YOU?
AGREED...?
AH!!
I RE-MEMBER...
IT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE IF YOU WANT ME TO GO QUESTING WITH YOU!
BUT.. I DON'T WANT TO DRAG ANYONE DOWN ANY MORE...
I WON'T FEEL SUCH PRESSURE IF I'M ALONE...
.....
ANY-WAY...

"RATHER THAN HAVE REGRETS LATER, MIGHT AS WELL RUN AWAY FIRST"?
I'M BACK...!
MELTY!!
SOME-THING'S HAPPENED...!!
RAYNARD...
WAS ATTACKED IN SCHOOL?!

Quest 32
MELTY'S MYSTERY ROMANCE?!

THAT RAYNARD?
ATTACKED WITHIN SCHOOL GROUNDS... SERIOUSLY WOUNDED?!
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RAYNARD SOLSTOVA.
PROMOTED TO MASTER RANK AT THE AGE OF 14 NOT TOO LONG AGO,
ALSO THE YOUNGER BROTHER OF ELITE QUESTOR AUGUSTA SOLSTOVA
THERE WAS THIS RUMOR GOING AROUND,
TWO YEARS AGO— SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED WHEN RAYNARD FIRST ENTERED THE ACADEMY.

ONE OF THE STUDENTS PLAYED A PRANK ON RAYNARD,
AS A RESULT, IN A FLASH...
THAT STUDENT WAS FLUNG OUT AND BROKE HIS JAW...
EH?!

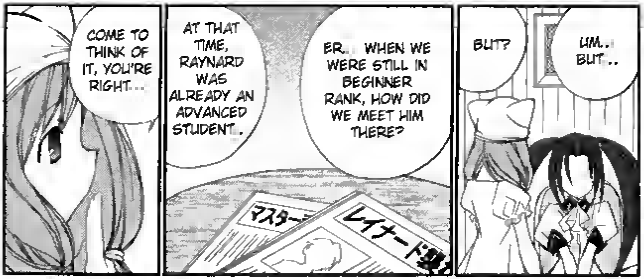
THAT INCIDENT WAS TREATED AS AN ACCIDENT. BECAUSE THAT STUDENT HIMSELF REPORTED IT TO THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AS AN ACCIDENT.
I DIDN'T WITNESS IT WITH MY OWN EYES... BECAUSE RAYNARD WAS A LEVEL HIGHER THAN US.

BUT... AFTER THAT, NOBODY DARED TO FOOL AROUND WITH HIM...
RIGHT... NOBODY...

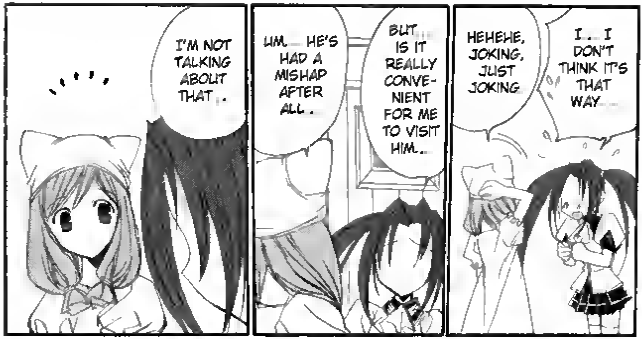
WHO COULD HAVE DONE THAT TO RAYNARD...?
THEN...

WHILE I WAS BUSY WORKING EVERYDAY, HE HAS ALREADY GONE UP TO MASTER RANK.

DO YOU WANT TO GO SEE RAYNARD...?
EH?!
BUT ACTUALLY WE SHOULD REALLY BE GOING TO CONGRATULATE HIM..

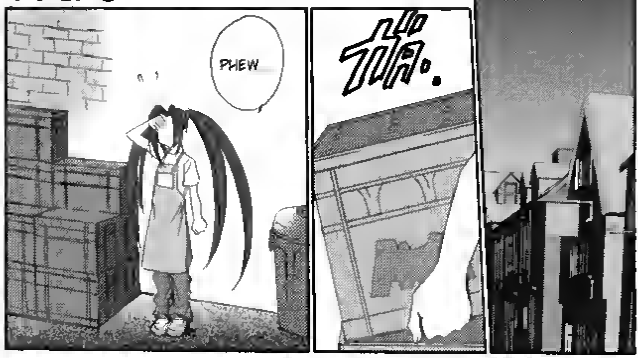

BUT?
UM.. BUT..
ER... WHEN WE WERE STILL IN BEGINNER RANK, HOW DID WE MEET HIM THERE?
AT THAT TIME, RAYNARD WAS ALREADY AN ADVANCED STUDENT..
COME TO THINK OF IT, YOU'RE RIGHT...

EH?!
PERHAPS HE FANCIES MELTY, HE WAS THERE TO SEE YOU.. SOMETHING LIKE THAT?!


I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT.
UM... HE'S HAD A MISHAP AFTER ALL.
BUT... IS IT REALLY CONVENIENT FOR ME TO VISIT HIM...
HEHEHE, JOKING, JUST JOKING
I... I DON'T THINK IT'S THAT WAY...

WILL HE CARE TO SEE ME...?
SOMEONE LIKE ME GOING TO SEE MASTER RANK RAYNARD...

...MELTY IS A LITTLE STRANGE...
I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT, SO BYE...
AH!! LOOK AT THE TIME, I HAVE TO GO TO WORK... NO!
...EH...?!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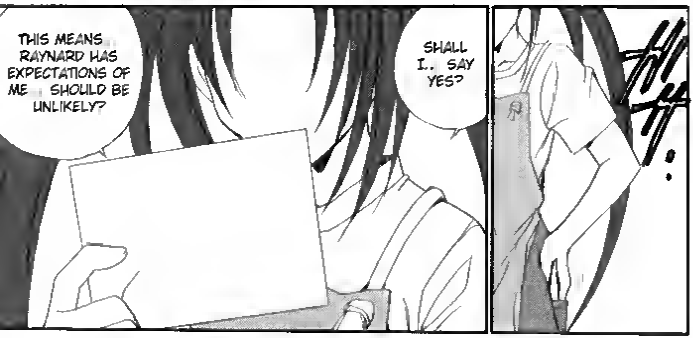

THIS MEANS... RAYNARD HAS EXPECTATIONS OF ME... SHOULD BE UNLIKELY?
SHALL I.. SAY YES?
ガサッ!

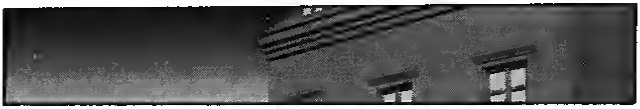
HI!
BUT IF I WAIT TILL I HAVE REACHED A LEVEL WHEN I CAN FACE HIM...

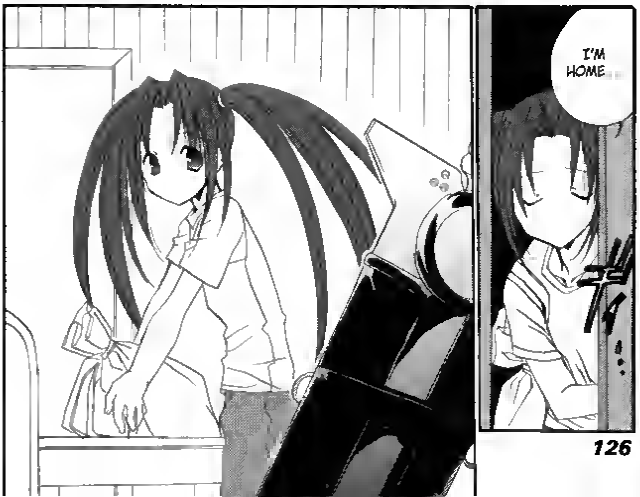
EH?!
LEND ME SOME MONEY?
JACKIE

BUT YOU KNOW WHOSE FAULT WAS IT THAT MY MONEY GOT CONFIS-CATED?
ALTHOUGH I DON'T WANT TO SAY THIS. .
OH? THAT'S STRAIGHT TALKING
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? JACKIE! I'LL LOOK DOWN ON YOU!

YOU REALLY DIDN'T KNOW...
AH— AH— SO.
YOU YOURSELF DIDN'T FIND ANY HERBS, DID YOU?
THAT... THAT'S RIGHT, BUT ALL 3 OF US SHOULD BEAR SOME RESPONSIBILITY!
EH —?!
BECAUSE I USED ALL THE HERBS I FOUND... ON YOU.
EH?
WHEN YOU WOKE UP, YOUR WOUNDS WERE ALREADY HEALED, DO YOU KNOW WHY?
WH.. WHAT!!
JUST THIS ONCE, NO MORE!!
.....
THEN TAKE IT EASY, BRING OUT THE MONEY!
THEN... THEN I HAVE TO THANK YOU, BUT..

BACK TO... ZERO?
.....
THANKS!! I OWE YOU ONE!




I'M HOME...

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HEAVY?!
SO...

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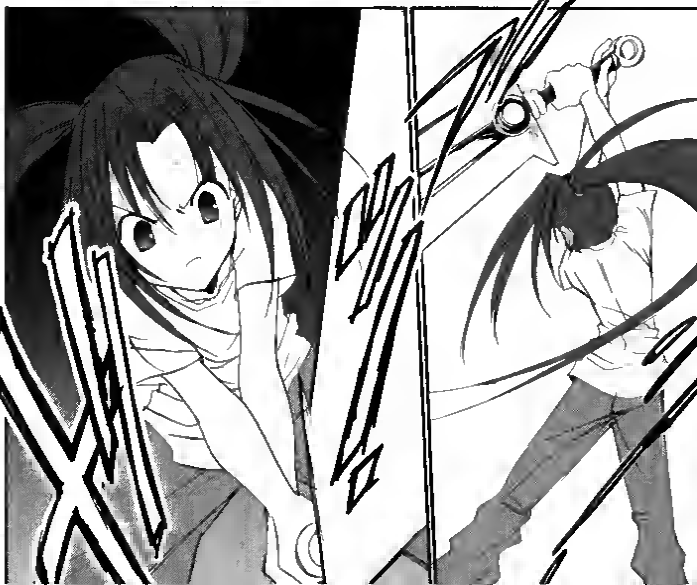
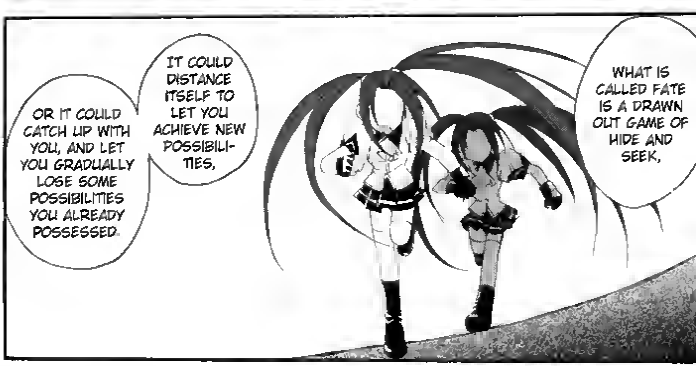


OOF...
JUST AS I THOUGHT..
JUST...
JUST LIKE THIS, UNCONSCIOUSLY GETTING FURTHER AND FURTHER FROM YOUR ACTUAL DIRECTION...
THE DIRECTION THAT SHOULD ACTUALLY BE RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU...
HOW...
HOW DID IT...?!
HM...

MELTY BAGLE
DO YOU INTEND TO KEEP ON RUNNING AWAY LIKE THIS TILL THAT "ONE DAY"?

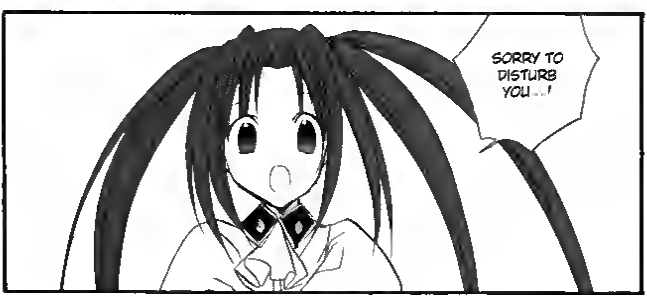

OR IT COULD CATCH UP WITH YOU, AND LET YOU GRADUALLY LOSE SOME POSSIBILITIES YOU ALREADY POSSESSED.
IT COULD DISTANCE ITSELF TO LET YOU ACHIEVE NEW POSSIBILITIES.
WHAT IS CALLED FATE IS A DRAWN OUT GAME OF HIDE AND SEEK.

ONLY THE PRESENT IS THE PRESENT
LIKE SAND IN AN HOURGLASS,
IT'S CONSTANTLY SHIFTING

RAYNARD SOLSTOVA'S STUDENT PASS..
WASN'T IT... LOST?
...SO...
OTHERWISE HE WOULD HAVE REPORTED IT LOST DUE TO HIS CARELESSNESS, NOT THE ATTACK
BECAUSE RAYNARD IS AN EXTREMELY CAPABLE AND PROUD STUDENT
IT CAN BE SAID BECAUSE OF THIS, THE ATTACK WAS MADE KNOWN
...THAT IS SAD...
..BY SOMEBODY
THAT IS TO SAY, RAYNARD WAS ROBBED OF HIS STUDENT PASS..

BUT... SINCE THE CARD HAS FALLEN INTO THE HANDS OF SOME DUBIOUS CHARACTER,
RAYNARD HAS TO BE PENALIZED ACCORDINGLY...

IT'S INDEED RAYNARD'S LIVING QUARTERS, IT'S REALLY DIFFERENT..
MOST LIKELY... TO BE HERE?


SORRY TO DISTURB YOU...!

WHAT IS IT?
ALL OF THIS HOUSE BELONGS TO MASTER RAYNARD!!
THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE A PRIOR APPOINTMENT, PLEASE LEAVE IMMEDIATELY!!

KUREHA... RINGO...
I'M SORRY, A WHOLE BUNCH OF US JUST CAME LIKE THIS...
WE JUST THOUGHT WE'LL PAY HIM A VISIT, BUT PERHAPS WE'RE TROUBLING HIM INSTEAD.
MASTER RAYNARD HAS JUST BEEN SUMMONED BY THE ACADEMY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE. HE'S NOT IN NOW!!
NOT IN..? THEN HE SHOULD BE ALRIGHT. THAT'S GREAT
THEN... PLEASE GIVE THIS TO HIM

PLEASE TELL HIM FROM ME TO TAKE CARE...
AH... NOTHING, IT'S NOTHING.
AND .
.....
.....?
UM... BUT I'VE SORTED OUT MY FEELINGS, SO I INTEND TO FIND SOME TIME TO COME AND SEE HIM AGAIN.
MAYBE IF WE HANG AROUND FOR AWHILE, WE CAN SEE RAYNARD...

EH?!
WILL YOU TAKE CARE OF ME!!
AH.. MELTY! I DON'T FEEL WELL SUDDENLY..
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!!?
COULD IT BE THAT MELTY HAS FALLEN FOR RAYNARD..
LOOKS LIKE A LOT OF OBSTACLES IN THE WAY...
WAIT, RIN REI, PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER...
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ピタッ!
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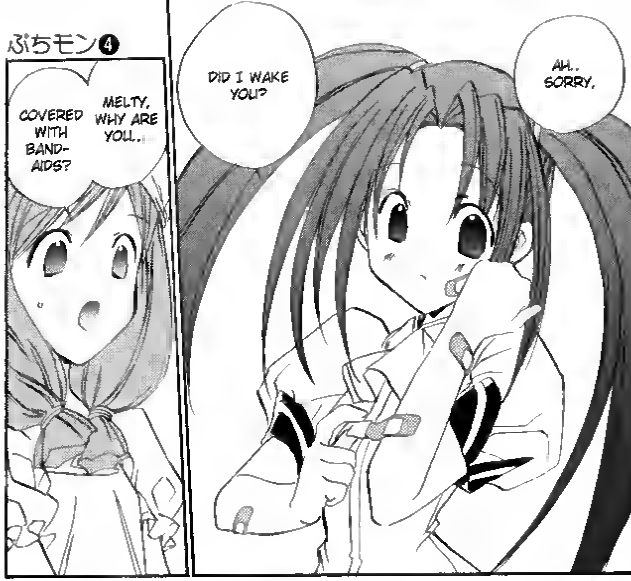
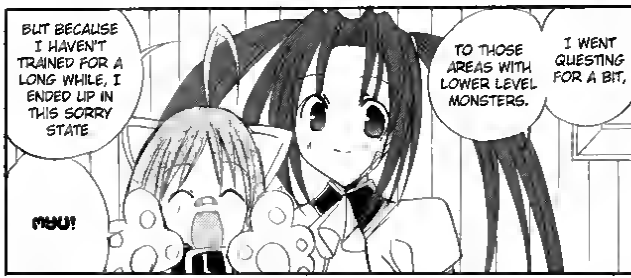
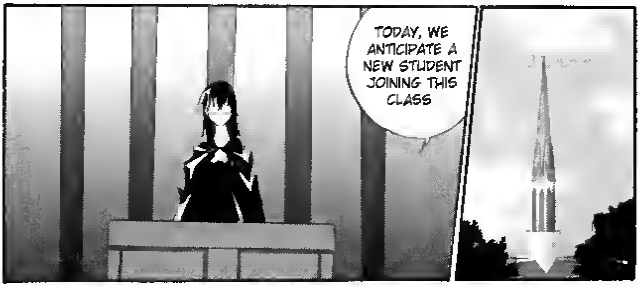

AH.. SORRY.
DID I WAKE YOU?
MELTY, WHY ARE YOU..
COVERED WITH BAND-AIDS?


I WENT QUESTING FOR A BIT,
TO THOSE AREAS WITH LOWER LEVEL MONSTERS.
BUT BECAUSE I HAVEN'T TRAINED FOR A LONG WHILE, I ENDED UP IN THIS SORRY STATE
MOU!

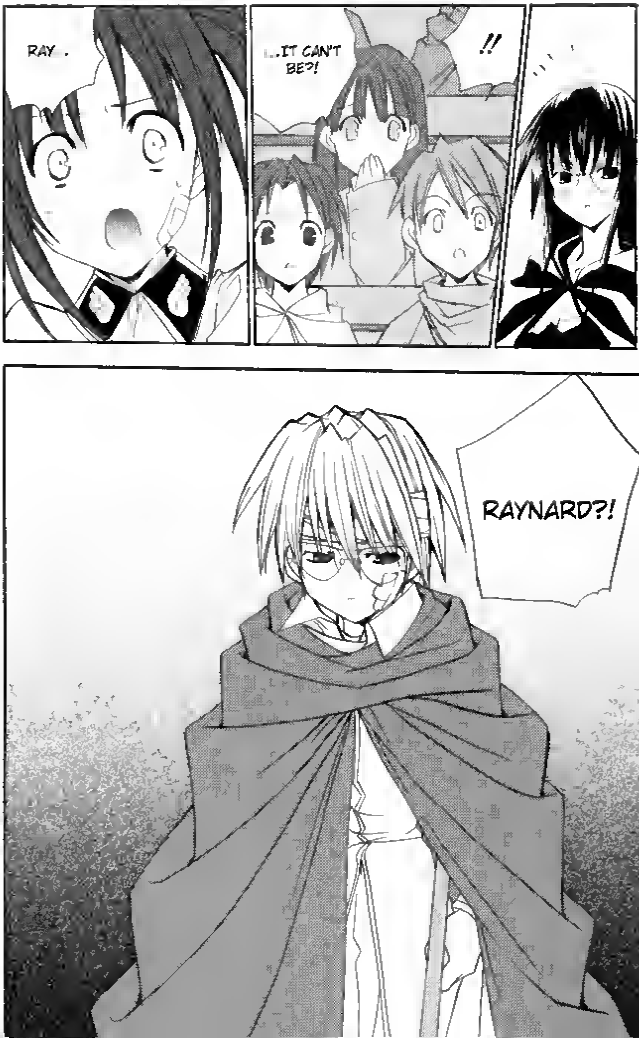
I FELT I SHOULD TRY TO FIT IN IF WE ARE TO HAVE A BEGINNING
.....

EH?
AH... AH.
THAT'S IT, MELTY, I WILL CHEER YOU ON, AND I'M SURE YOU CAN CONVEY YOUR FEELINGS TO HIM!
???
AH ~~~HOW I WISH I CAN FIND A SWEETHEART QUICKLY TOO ~~~
CHOOSE AN ABLE PARTNER BEFORE YOU GO.
THIS QUEST REQUIRES 2 MEMBERS...
DEPART ON YOUR QUEST FROM GATE 17.

I MAY BE A CLUELESS QUESTOR WHO'S TOO BIG FOR HER BOOTS.
BUT I HAVEN'T GIVEN UP HOPE, SO DON'T PRESSURE ME!!
I WILL WORK HARD!!
MOU!!


TODAY, WE ANTICIPATE A NEW STUDENT JOINING THIS CLASS

TRANS-FERRED? WHERE FROM?
SUCH A THING CAN HAPPEN?
SEEMS LIKE HE'S LATE, WE'LL INTRODUCE HIM WHEN HE GETS HERE


RAY .
..IT CAN'T BE?!
!!
RAYNARD?!

Quest 33
RAYNARD DEMOTED?!

RAYNARD .

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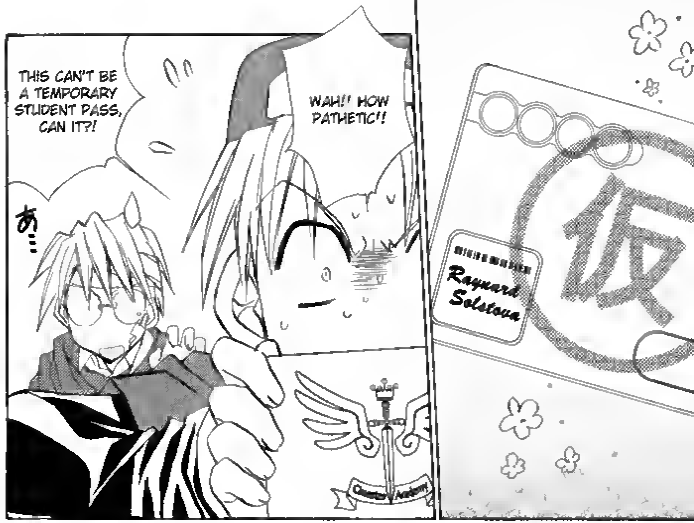
YOU MAY SIT WHEREVER YOU WANT.
I'M RAYNARD SOLSTOVA... SORRY I'M LATE
YOU'VE BEEN DEMOTED..!
NO, I HAVE..
BUT WHAT RIGHT HAVE YOU GOT TO REMAIN IN SCHOOL? YOU'VE EVEN LOST YOUR STUDENT PASS?
FROM YOUR EXPRESSION, YOU DON'T CARE TO BE IN NORMAL RANK!


THIS CAN'T BE A TEMPORARY STUDENT PASS, CAN IT?!
WAH!! HOW PATHETIC!!
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Rayward Solstaun

IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!!
EVERYBODY LOOK, AND IT'S MADE OF PAPER!!
WAH... REALLY!!

!?
YOU...

.....
BUT IT SEEMS YOU'RE JUST LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE?!
AT FIRST I THOUGHT YOU'RE THE KIND TO PUT ON AIRS...

WAH!!
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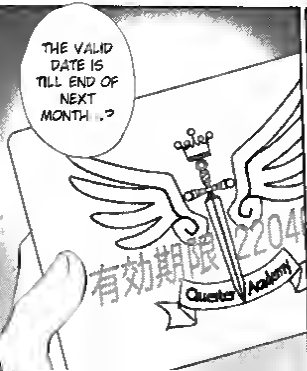
BY THE WAY, IF THIS IS MADE OF PAPER, CAN IT BE TORN?


THE VALID DATE IS TILL END OF NEXT MONTH..?
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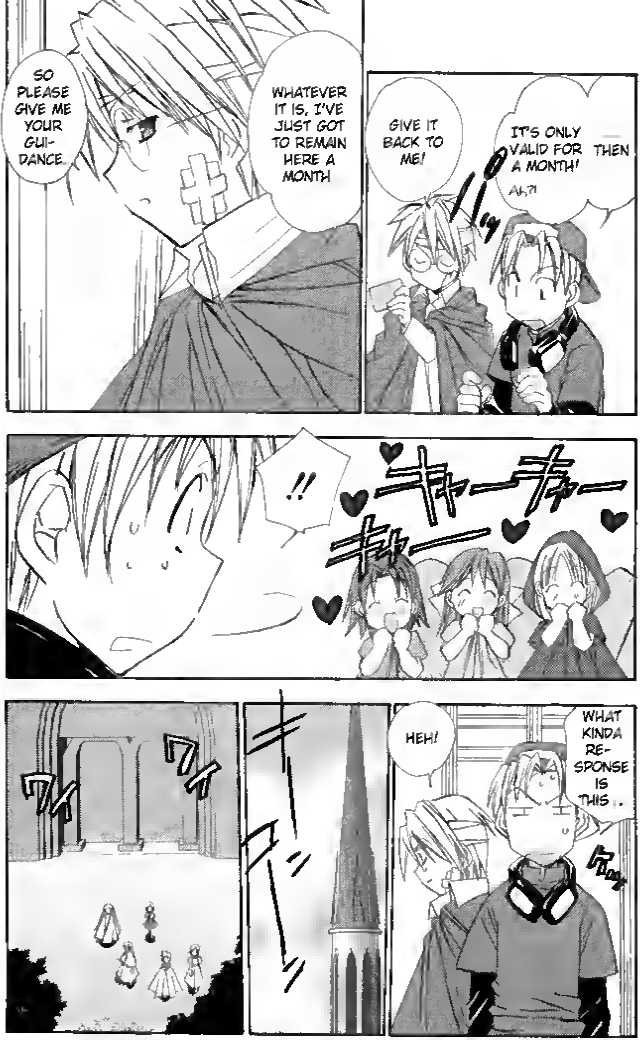
HUH?
WHAT'S THIS...

THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT GUY'S CHARACTER.
Stop it!!
Hey it's coming apart!!


SO PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR GUI-DANCE
WHATEVER IT IS, I'VE JUST GOT TO REMAIN HERE A MONTH
GIVE IT BACK TO ME!
IT'S ONLY VALID FOR A MONTH!
THEN
AH,?!
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WHAT KINDA RE-SPONSE IS THIS..
HEH!
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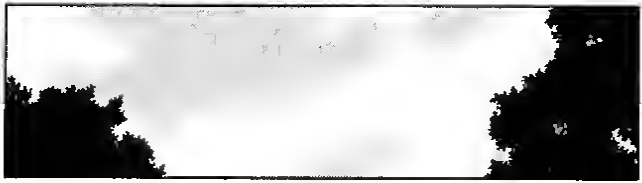
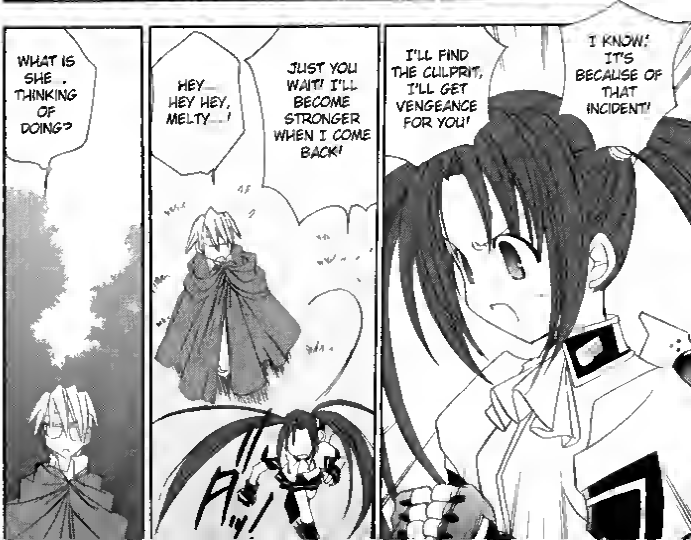
SHALL WE GO BACK TOGETHER?
RAYNARD!!



IF I'M WILLING, THIS LITTLE INJURY CAN BE HEALED IMMEDIATELY...
HOW CAN THAT BE...
IS MY IMAGE SPOILT?
HM...?
I THOUGHT.. YOU HAD FULLY RECOVERED...

RAYNARD, THIS IS SO UNLIKE YOU!!
HOW CAN THAT BE?
I FELT I'VE BEEN REALLY SILLY IN THE PAST.
MAYBE I'VE ALREADY LOST MY GOAL..


WHAT IS SHE. THINKING OF DOING?
HEY— HEY HEY, MELTY...!
JUST YOU WAIT! I'LL BECOME STRONGER WHEN I COME BACK!
I'LL FIND THE CULPRIT, I'LL GET VENGEANCE FOR YOU!
I KNOW! IT'S BECAUSE OF THAT INCIDENT!

THIS IS...
GATE 17...

PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT!!

IF YOU WANT TO GO QUESTING FROM THIS GATE, YOU WOULD NEED A PARTNER.
WHO ARE YOU GOING WITH?
MISS RURU
EH... I'M GOING WITH NYAMU.
NYU!!

NYAMU CAN'T BE COUNTED BECAUSE SHE'S NOT A STUDENT.
PLEASE FIND A PARTNER BEFORE COMING AGAIN!

MY PARTNER'S CONDITION IS NOT VERY GOOD... I THINK HE'LL BE COMING LATER
PLEASE LET ME PASS THROUGH FIRST...
IS THAT NOT POSSIBLE ?

...ALRIGHT. I'LL GIVE MY CONSENT.
THANK YOU, MISS RURU!!
BUT I HAVE A CONDITION... IS THAT ALRIGHT?
IF YOUR PARTNER DOESN'T APPEAR BEFORE SUNSET, I'LL HAVE TO SEAL THIS GATE.

SO, MELTY, WHEN THAT HAPPENS, YOU WILL HAVE TO HOLD ON ALL BY YOURSELF BEFORE YOU CAN GET BACK IN.
ALRIGHT!
コク

WELL THEN
REMOVE SEAL!
WAH!!

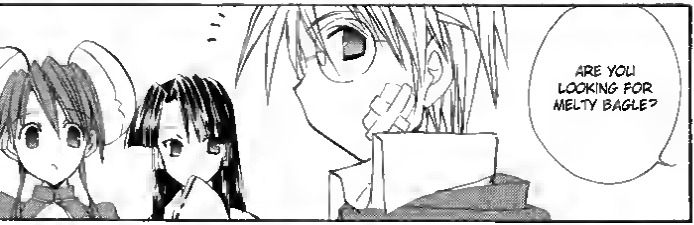
SNOW?!
WHAT IS THIS...
IT'S FREEZING...!
WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE...
I'LL LEND YOU A CLOAK!
THANKS.
THIS CLOAK IS SO WARM.

BE CAREFUL ON THE WAY.
THEN, NYAMU WILL WAIT IN THE DORMITORY FOR ME!
MYU~~~
MYU~~~
MYU~~~
IS SHE GOING TO LOOK FOR MELTY'S PARTNER . . ?
AH!! NYAMU. . ?!

HM?
MUU!!
YAAH!!
YOU I CAME FROM MELTY..
OW OW OW OW OW!!
MUU~~

!?
MYU!!
SOME-
THING'S
HAPPENED
TO MELTY?
DON'T
TELL ME...
HEY .
HEY HEY!!
MYU!
MYU!

I REMEMBER ONE NEEDS SPECIAL PERMISSION TO SET OUT FROM HERE...
DID SHE SET OUT ON A QUEST FROM THIS GATE?
MYU!!
IT'S ALRIGHT, WE'RE ALL CLASSMATES.
I'M SORRY I GOT ALL OF YOU OUT


ARE YOU LOOKING FOR MELTY BAGLE?

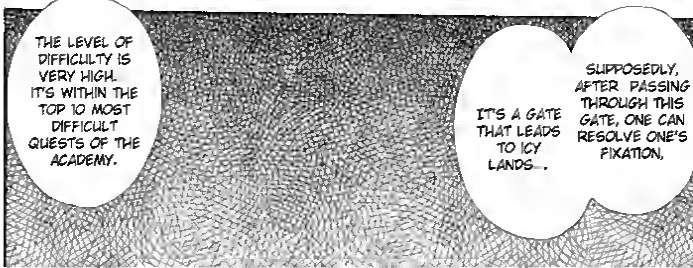
MAY I KNOW WHICH ONE OF YOU IS HER PARTNER?
MELTY BAGLE HAS ALREADY SET OUT ON HER QUEST...

IT'S... ME?!

MYU----!!

SHE DIDN'T WANT TO PUT RAYNARD IN A SPOT...
NOW... I UNDERSTAND WHY MELTY WANTED TO GO QUESTING ALONE

RAYNARD SOLSTOVA ..?


THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY IS VERY HIGH. IT'S WITHIN THE TOP 10 MOST DIFFICULT QUESTS OF THE ACADEMY.
IT'S A GATE THAT LEADS TO ICY LANDS...
SUPPOSEDLY, AFTER PASSING THROUGH THIS GATE, ONE CAN RESOLVE ONE'S FIXATION.

EH?
THAT MAKES IT WORSE...!!
THAT'S WHY I THINK SHE MUST HAVE A PROBLEM SHE NEEDS TO RESOLVE...
WHY DID MELTY WANT TO GO TO SUCH A DANGEROUS PLACE BY HERSELF?
EH?!
ANY MAGIC...!!
DOESN'T KNOW...
MELTY...
!

EH... ……!!
NOT ONLY ATTACK MAGIC,
SHE CAN'T EVEN DO... RESTORATION MAGIC?
ウィンウィン
WHAT'S TO BE DONE?! WHAT'S TO BE DONE?!
ALTHOUGH IT'S FUN TO SEE HER LIKE THIS
おろおろ…
REALLY— SO THERE'S SUCH A THING—
ALTHOUGH SHE'S THE SISTER OF— CUSTARD BAGLE?
TO BE EXACT, IT'S NOT THAT SHE CAN'T,
IT'S JUST THAT SHE LOST THE ABILITY...
SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED BEFORE...

I
I'LL FIND THE CULPRIT; I'LL GET VENGEANCE FOR YOU!
REALLY...
WILL GO TOO!!
EH?!

BECAUSE THE PROBLEM THAT'S BOTHERING MELTY WOULD PROB. BLY NEED RAYNARD'S HELP TO SOLVE IT.
NO, ON THIS QUEST, ONCE YOU'VE CHOSEN YOUR PARTNER, YOU CAN'T CHANGE...
YOU... DON'T FORCE YOURSELF, I'LL GO IN YOUR PLACE.
AH... YES!
ANYWAY, JUST HURRY UP.
REMOVE SEAL!!
WELL, THEN.

YAAAH!!
I WILL SURELY BRING MELTY BACK!
mou.....

WE CAN ONLY PRAY NOW...
...HE'S GONE.

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